

REMARKS

Applicants hereby respectfully request reconsideration and a withdrawal of all outstanding rejections and objections.

Applicants submit herewith new declarations/powers executed by the inventors to overcome the objection to the originally filed declaration/power.

Applicants note the objections made to the claims, and have amended the claims in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion. Further, claim 29 has been amended to correct a typographical error.

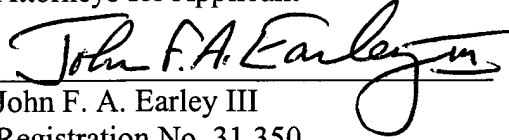
The double patenting rejections are noted, and should be withdrawn, since, applicants submit that serial no. 10/382,040 is abandoned.

Claims 1-36 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,511,760 B1. This rejection is respectfully but strenuously traversed and reconsideration and a withdrawal of the rejection are hereby requested. Applicants submit herewith a declaration of the inventor, Mr. Gary Barone, stating that the invention disclosed in the referenced patent was derived from him, and is thus not the invention by another. Therefore, applicants respectfully request reconsideration and a withdrawal of the rejection.

If necessary, an appropriate extension of time to respond is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Patent Office Deposit Account No. 05-0208.

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